

### REMARKS

Claims 1-34 are pending in the present reissue application. This application is a reissue application of the U.S. Patent No. 5,916,127 ("the '127 Patent"). The '127 patent was issued from the application 08/688,622 ("the '622 Application").

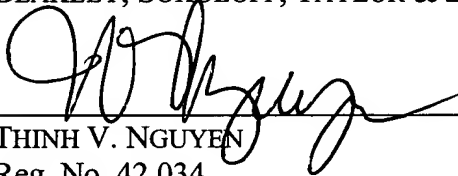
This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed March 10, 2003. In the Office Action, the Examiner stated that the reply filed on January 13, 2003 was not fully responsive to the prior Office Action. In particular, the Examiner stated that the amendments to claims 5, 6, and 9 omit the required underlining and/or bracketing. In response, Applicant has amended claims 5, 6, and 9 to correct minor informalities.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks made above, it is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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